Executive Proclamation
State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

WHEREAS, March 17 is celebrated around the world as Saint Patrick's day, a day set aside for rejoicing in one's Irish heritage; and,

WHEREAS, Sioux Falls annually celebrates the Great Saint's day with the traditional painting of the shamrock in the heart of the city by the local leaders, and

WHEREAS, Sioux Falls also boasts a gala parade with all citizens of Irish descent parading through the streets of the city wearing the green and affecting brogues, and,

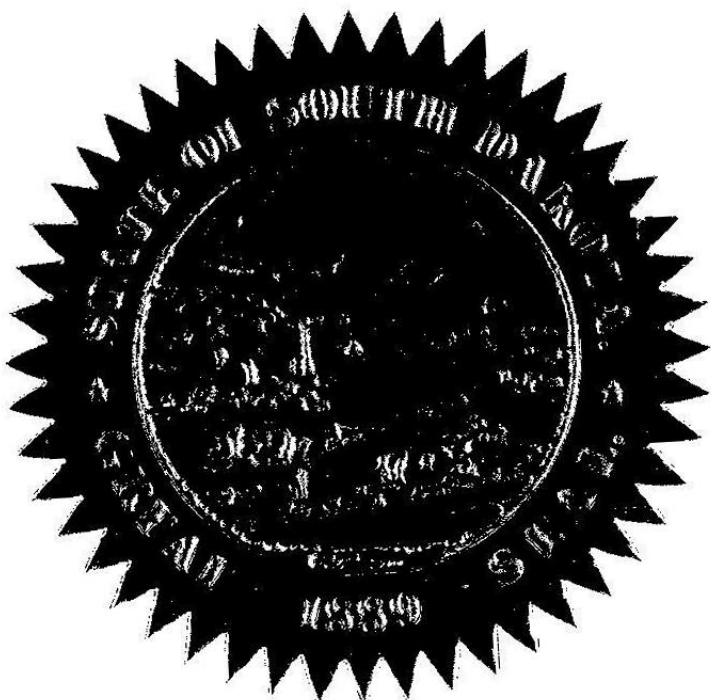
WHEREAS, March 17 is a day when all South Dakotans are either Irish or wish they were, and,

WHEREAS, It is fitting and proper for the Governor to make note of the special events and [illegible] in the lives of this state's most august citizens, namely the Celts of Sioux Falls:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, M. MICHAEL ROUNDS, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim March 17, 2005, as

SIOUX FALLS' ST. PATRICK'S CELEBRATION DAY
and
SAINT PATRICK'S DAY

in South Dakota

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Second Day of March, in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Five

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

ATTEST:

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State